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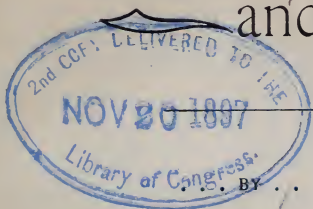
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“SEARCH THE WORD.”

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"The entrance of thy words giveth light." (Ps. 119: 130.)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Psalms 119: 105.)

"Thy words have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee." (Psalms 119: 11.)

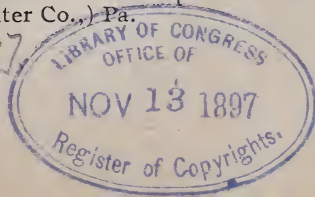
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GOD'S BEST.

God has His best things for the few
That dare to stand the test ;
God has His second choice for those
Who will not have His best.

It is not always open ill
That risks the Promised Rest ;
The better, often, is the foe
That keeps us from the best.

There's scarcely one but vaguely wants
In some way to be blest ;
'Tis not Thy blessing, Lord, I seek,
I want Thy very best.

And others make the highest choice,
But when by trials pressed,
They shrink, they yield, they shun the cross,
And so they lose the best.

I want, in this short life of mine,
As much as can be pressed
Of service true for God and man ;
Help me to be my best.

I want to stand when Christ appears
In spotless raiment dressed ;
Numbered among His hidden ones,
His holiest and best.

I want among the victor throng
To have my name confessed ;
And hear my Master say at last,
“ Well done ; you did your best.”

Give me, O Lord, Thy highest choice ;
Let others take the rest ;
Their *good things* have no charm for me,
For I have got *Thy* best.

—Selected.

BIBLE MARKING AND READING.

THE VOICE.

STAND thou still awhile that I may show thee the word of God.—I Sam. 9: 27.

Consider how great things He hath done for you.—I Sam. 12: 24.

Are the consolations of God small with thee?—Job 15: 12.

When He giveth quietness, who then can make trouble?—Job 34: 29.

The Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow and from thy fear.—Isa. 14: 3.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.—Matt. 5: 6.

There hath not failed one word of all His good promises.—I Kings 8: 56.

Hear the words of the Lord your God.—Joshua 3: 9.

Blessed are they that put their *trust* in *Him*.—Psalm 2: 12.

ALL are YOURS, and YE are CHRIST'S.—I Cor. 3: 22, 23.

BENEDICTUS.

The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.—Num. 6: 24, 25, 26.

THE BIBLE NEGLECTED.

“It is better to hear God rather than man, and I believe we are living in a day when the Bible is neglected, although we are living in a land of Bibles. The Psalmist said it was hidden in his heart. Some one has remarked that it was a *good thing in a good place for a good purpose*. Now, I never saw a useful Christian who was not a student of the Bible. If a man neglects his Bible, he may pray and ask God to use him in His work, but God cannot make much use of him, for there is not much for the Holy Spirit to work upon. We must have the word itself, which is sharper than any two-edged sword. The reason why some people have such bitter experience is, they try to overcome the devil by their feelings and experiences. We cannot overcome Satan with our feelings. Christ overcame Satan by the Word. He simply said: “It is written”: and a second time, “It is written”: and Satan came and tried to misquote the Scripture, but Christ said again, “It is written”; and that was the arrow that shot right into him and drove him away. The devil does not care a bit about our feelings. He can play on our feelings just as a man can on a harp. He can make our feelings good or bad; he can take us up on the mountain, or down into the valley: and we can only vanquish him by the Word, which is the sword of the Spirit.” —D. L. MOODY. “How to Study the Bible.” *Fleming Revells Co., New York.*

STUDY TO FEED, RATHER THAN DAZZLE.

"Any coward can admire and praise Jesus Christ, but it takes a hero to follow Him. We cannot move the world if we let it move us," therefore, "*Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*"—(II Tim. 2: 15.)

If the people be hungry, it is better to feed them than to dazzle them; even though you be able to do it with the sheen of diamonds.

Dash jewels to stones rather than miss your mark. With a Bible full of promises, and a God full of delight to see you "Divinely confident and bold" to claim them, what is there to hold you back?

God would have you holy. Meet God in His purposes. "Take time to be holy." Oh, how He rejoices over holy souls to do them good.

Grace has oceans unexplored; a fulness unexhausted and untried. Why should not the reader be the one to fathom some new deeps of God?

BIBLE MARKING AND READING.

Have a good Bible, Bourgeois type, Marginal references, well bound, silk sewed, calf lined, printed on paper that will stand ink.

One with Concordance in back and self-pronouncing is best.

Mark the first page with your name and your life chapter or text, and add your birthday chapters or texts as milestones in the journey of life.

It is a splendid practice for each one in the home circle who can, to memorize a birthday chapter for each one's birthday, and on that day recite it from memory and write *over* the chapter, the name and the milestone of life. For instance: "Mabel's ninth milestone," (*Prov. 3rd chapter*).

Select the chapters long enough ahead to allow plenty of time for *all* to commit them *thoroughly*. Try memorizing God's Word each week. The Holy Spirit can increase our capacity to take in, and strengthen our memories to hold the Word of Life.

"I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat."—(*Exodus 25: 22.*)

"And truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son, Jesus Christ."—(*I John 1: 3.*)

It is so blessed to memorize the Word. Begin with John 14th chapter and follow with the 15th, 16th and 17th. The whole of the Epistle of John. Matthew 5 and 6. Proverbs 3d. Psalms 23, 24, 27, 32, 37, 51, 91. Joshua 1st, and many others. Make a memoranda of your conversion as an epoch that will be celebrated in eternity; but, remember, that to remain a babe is to become a dwarf, and fail to attain the end for which you were born.

Therefore you *must* "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."—(*II Peter 3: 18.*)

But you will only *grow* as you "search [ransack] the Scriptures." Eat the Word. "*Thy words were*

found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart.”—(*Jer. 15: 16.*)

“I have esteemed the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.”—(*Job 23: 12.*)

Jesus very clearly and distinctly marks a supreme condition of soul health, and of a state of receptivity where He can put His hands upon you to utilize you for His glory, in *St. John 8: 31, 32.*

“Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him,

“If ye continue in my word, *then*, are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you *free.*”

MARK THE DATES OF GREAT SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS.

If some earnest prayer is divinely answered note it with a reference to the promise which brought the blessing. As some old Scotchman has said, “There are 31,000 promises in the Bible.”

They stand out clean-cut and well-defined and mean just what they say.

But many when they read begin to pare down the essential elements of these precious promises, and say they do not quite mean what the words indicate. Beloved, they are true; *trust them.*

BELIEF AND TRUST.

There is a difference between belief and trust which we do not always recognize. The former is a simple assent to what we are willing to admit as a fact; while the latter involves a complete committal

of ourselves to the truth of the fact, even though it seems to put us in peril to do so.

A party of visitors at the national mint were told by a workman in the smelting works that if the hand be dipped in water a ladle full of the molten metal could be poured over the palm without burning it. A gentleman and his wife heard the strange statement.

"Perhaps you would like to try it?" said the workman.

"No, thank you," said the gentleman shrinking back. "I prefer to take your word for it." Turning to the lady the workman said :

"Would you like to make the experiment, madam?"

"Certainly," she replied ; and suiting the action to the word, she removed her glove, turned back her sleeve, and thrust her hand into a bucket of water ; then she calmly held it out while the liquid metal was poured over it.

Turning to the gentleman, the workman quietly said :

"You, sir, it may be, believed ; but your wife trusted."

We believe God's promises ; do we trust them ?

DIFFERENT COLORED INKS.

Have a plan for marking your Bible, but however simple, have one. Be original and aim at quality more than quantity. Take time to select wisely and mark carefully, and your Bible will become "Sweeter than honey and the honeycomb," and "More to be desired than gold, yea, than much fine gold." A companion for usefulness that will be priceless.

1ST. RED. *Salvation*. Wherever the word *salvation*, *blood*, or *Christ* is mentioned, put a neat, little cross in red ink, on margin opposite the verse. That means that Jesus went all the way to Calvary and shed His blood for *you*. Make this marvelous

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fact stand out more prominent by marking a *perpendicular line* at the *beginning* and *end* of the *verse* with *red ink*.

2ND. YELLOW. *The Holy Spirit* Whenever the Holy Spirit, or Holy Ghost, is spoken of, mark a *perpendicular line* at the *beginning* and *end* of the *verse* with *yellow ink*, and put H. S. on margin, *opposite verse* in *same color*. The Holy Spirit is the Executive of the Godhead, the Representative of the Father and the Son. The Illuminator of the Word. The Revealer of Jesus; Reminder. (John 4: 26.) Not an influence or an emanation from the Father and the Son, but a person.

3RD. VIOLET. *Service*. (Deut. 10: 12; Luke 1: 74, 75, and many others.) Mark at the *beginning* and *end* of *verse* and put a capital S. on margin *opposite verse* in *violet ink*.

4TH. BLUE. *Divine Healing*. (Exodus 15: 26; Matt. 8: 17; James 5: 13, 14, 15, and others.) Mark the *beginning* and *end* of *verse*, with *perpendicular line*, and put initials D. H. on margin *opposite* in *blue ink*.

5TH. GREEN. *Second Coming*. (I Thess. 4: 16, 17, 18; Rev. 22: 12, 20.) There are hundreds of passages like these that refer to the *fact* that Jesus is coming again.

Interline the verses, and *opposite* on margin put S. C. in *green ink*.

6TH. BLACK. *Condemnation*. (Rom. 8: 3, and many others.) Make a *perpendicular line* at the

beginning and *end* of *verse* in *black ink*, and opposite on margin put the letter C.

7TH. PURPLE. Use *purple* for the promises, by putting a *perpendicular line* at the *beginning* and *end* of *verse*, and also, for general marking on margin and blank paper, etc.

Be choice in marking your Bible. Don't mark it too much, so it will detract from the Word itself.

But mark the great events of your life in your Bible so you can turn to them at any moment to re-assure your mind that the promises are true, and that the Bible, the Holy Spirit, and the Providences of God are the most reliable basis of faith in the world. And if we *faithfully* and *prayerfully* follow these we will not go contrary to the will of God.

BLANK PAGES.

Get a few sheets of onion skin paper and paste some leaves neatly here and there through your Bible. Now and then a stanza of some hymn will be so blessed to you that you will want to copy it. And on these blank pages you can make a note of good illustrations.

If you do not pin them down good things will leave you.

These blank pages are excellent for outlining a few choice Bible readings, etc., and with your Bible as a constant companion at all services they will be of inestimable value.

Put your own name on margin alongside of the

most precious promises. This makes them more personal—so real.

Make a personal application as you search the Word. For instance: Write on margin, over *II Cor. 9:6, 7, 8*, (and connect to verses with a fine line) the words, *A Personal Application*.

And on Margin over *Psalms 139:23, 24*, write *A Personal Search. The Soul's Search-Warrant*. That means to search *me*. O God! not my neighbor, not my brother, not my sister, but *me*.

If we read the Bible by the aid of the Holy Spirit this way how soon it would become a revealed and not a *sealed* book. It would become of inestimable value, priceless.

TITLE CHAPTERS.

We need some system by which to locate important chapters and verses. Write the title at the beginning of each chapter.

Over *St. John, 3d chapter*, write "New Birth Chapter."

Over *Isaiah 12th*, Convert's Chapter, and over *Joshua 1st*, Courage Chapter, and so on until each chapter is well marked. (*See list in back of book.*) When you hear a sermon or Bible reading and some good thoughts strike you forcibly, mark the text and by its side on margin put the seed thoughts. When it strikes your eye again it will come back as fresh as when delivered.

INK, PEN AND RULER.

Prepare yourself with seven different colored inks and seven fine tracing pens, with holders, and a little ruler. With such an outfit you will be ready to mark your Bible neatly and intelligently so that it will become more impressive and valuable as the years go by.

If you are a parent or Sunday School teacher you can much more deeply interest your children, or scholars, in Bible study by marking *their* Bibles and by teaching them how to mark their own. *Interested* parents will have *interested* children. *Interested* Sunday School teachers will have *interested* scholars. Let us wake up and sober up, *I Thess. 5:6; Jer. 33:3; Ruth 2:12.*

MARKED ENVELOPES.

Get a dozen or so of large envelopes with strings attached, like those used by lawyers and others for filing documents. On one write the word Love, another, Faith, another, Prayer, Obedience, Consecration, Holy Spirit, Second Coming, Divine Healing, etc., etc.

Now when reading if some quotation or illustration impresses you on any of these subjects clip it out of the paper, or make a note of it on a slip of paper, and place in envelope, under proper head, and when you are preparing a Bible reading on these subjects you will find your selections of great value. Try it.

VERSES.

The Bible is the most helpful of all books. It meets every phase of human life. Well did the Psalmist say, "Thy *Word* is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (*Psalm 119: 105.*) It clearly exhibits a prepared salvation. "It contains food for the hungry, living water for the thirsty, a home for the alien, a friend for the forsaken, aid for the helpless, strength for the weak, encouragement for the discouraged, joy for the sorrowing, peace for the troubled, consolation for the bereaved and eternal life for all who believe."

Mark passages that will help you in dealing with inquirers of every kind.

For instance :—

THE GREAT INVITATION.

Revelation 22: 17. Matt. 11: 28.

DON'T KNOW HOW TO COME TO CHRIST. THEY
MUST RECEIVE A PERSON, NOT A CREED.

St. John 1: 12.

SAY THEY CAN'T BELIEVE.

St. John 7: 17.

THEY MUST COME.

St. John 6: 37. Isaiah 55: 1.

DON'T KNOW HOW TO COME TO CHRIST.

They must take a *gift*. Psalm 116: 13. Rom. 6:
23. Rev. 22: 17.

DON'T KNOW HOW TO COME TO CHRIST.

They must *trust*. Psalm 34: 8.

THE "BELIEVINGS" OF JOHN.

Don't know how to come to Christ. They must *believe*. To persuade a man that Christ is the Son of God take him through the Gospel of John. John 3: 15, 16, 18 and 36. Also 5: 24 and 6: 40, 47.

TO BELIEVE IS TO "HAVE."

St. John 3: 15, 16.

THINK THEMSELVES TOO GREAT SINNERS.

They are under deep conviction. Isa. 1: 18; 53: 4, 5; 43: 25; 44: 22. Rom. 10: 6. Matt. 18: 11; 9: 12. I Peter 2: 24.

NOT DEEPLY CONVICTED OF SIN.

Isa. 1: 5, 6, and 53: 6. I John 1: 10. Rom. 3: 10, 12-23.

CAN'T FORGIVE.

Matt. 6: 15; 18: 23-35. Luke 6: 37. Eph 4: 32. Gal. 5: 22, 23.

"ENTERTAINING FALSE HOPES."

Gal. 2: 16. Rom. 3: 19, 20. Gal. 3: 10. Jas. 2: 7, 8. Matt. 22: 37, 38; 5: 20. Luke 18: 10-14; 16: 15. I Sam. 16: 7. Heb. 10: 28, 29.

THE HOPE THAT ALL WILL BE SAVED. "God IS TOO GOOD TO DAM ANY ONE."

Rom. 2:4, 5. St. John 8:21, 24; 3:36. II Peter 3:9-11. Ezek. 33:11. II Peter 2:4-6, 9. Luke 13:3.

WE SHOULD BUILD OUR HOPE NOT BY WHAT WE FEEL BUT ON GOD'S WORD.

Prov. 14:12. St. John 3:36. Luke 18:9-14. Josh. 1:8. St. John 8:31, 32.

FOR THE DANGER OF DELAY.

Prov. 1:24, 28. Psalms 9:17. II Peter 2:9.

"DANGER OF POSTPONING A DECISION."

Isaiah 55:6. Prov. 27:1; 29:1. Matt. 24:44; 25:10-13. Luke 12:19, 20. I Kings 18:21. James 4:13, 14. Luke 13:24, 25. St. John 12:35. Heb. 3:15. Eccl. 12:1.

"CHRISTIANS ARE SO INCONSISTENT."

Rom. 14:12; 2:1-5. Matt. 7:1-5.

"GRACE FOR THE WEAKEST."

II Cor. 12:9, 10. Phil. 4:13. I Cor. 10:13.

"NEED NOT FAIL."

Luke 22:31, 32. Rom. 8:3, 4. Psalm 119:11. I John 5:4. I Peter 5:6-10. *See Revised Version.*

"DO NOT FEAR PERSECUTION."

II Tim. 3:12. Matt. 5:10-12. Mark 8:35-38. Rom. 8:18. Acts 14:22. II Tim. 2:12. Heb. 12:2, 3.

“DON'T BE AFRAID OF LOSS TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN.”

Mark 8: 36. Matt. 6: 33.

THE DEVIL WILL TRY TO MAKE YOU BELIEVE
THERE IS TOO MUCH TO GIVE UP.

Mark 8: 36. Ps. 84: 11. Rom. 8: 32. I John 2: 15-17. Heb. 11: 24-26.

“AFRAID OF LOSING THEIR COMPANIONS.”

Prov. 13: 20. Psalms 1: 1, 2. I John 1: 3. James 4: 4.

FOR THE TIME TO BE SAVED.

II Cor. 6: 2. Heb. 3: 7.

REAP WHAT WE SOW.

Gal. 6: 7, 8. Be wise! Seed time and harvest will come.

SOWING TO THE FLESH.

Rom. 13; 13. Gal. 5: 19, 20, 21. “The works of night are enumerated in pairs: 1st—Sensuality in the form of eating and drinking; then impurity, those of bestial libertinism and wanton lightness; finally, the passions which break out either in personal disputes [jealousy] or party quarrels.”—*Godet's Com.* “The three particulars adduced stand in the eternal connection of cause and effect.”—*Myers.*

SOWING TO THE SPIRIT.

Gal. 5: 22, 23, 24, 25, 26. The end : Life everlasting.

GO AWAY TRUSTING AND COME BACK DOUBTING.

They have neglected to confess Christ. Matt. 10: 32. Rom. 10: 9, 10. Luke 6: 45.

AS THE HEART IS THE LIFE WILL BE.

Prov. 4: 23. Matt. 6: 21 and 12: 34, 35, 36, 37.

THE CARELESS BACKSLIDERS.

Jeremiah 2: 5, 13, 19, 27, 32. I Kings 11: 9. Prov. 14: 14. The Lord was angry. Divine anger as presented in the Bible is no sudden outburst of passion, no low and hateful notion of revenge, as human anger often is. It is rather the deep eternal antagonism of holiness to sin, of truth to error, of right to wrong. I Kings 11: 9.

BACKSLIDERS WHO WISH TO COME BACK TO THE LORD.

Jeremiah 3: 12, 13, 22. I John 1: 9; 2: 12. II Chron. 15: 4. Hosea 14: 1, 2, 4.

EXAMPLES OF BACKSLIDERS RECLAIMED.

David, Peter, Thomas, and all the disciples.

WILL TRY TO BE SAVED.

Rom. 4: 5. It's not by trying. As long as you are trying to believe you are disbelieving. Quit that. Cease trying. Believe, believe.

“Long my yearning heart was trying,
 To enjoy this perfect rest ;
 But I gave all trying over :
 Simply trusting I was blessed.”

Get the consent of your will. I John 3: 19, 20, 21 and 22.

FOR CONTRASTS IN CONVERSIONS.

Acts 16th chapter, Lydia and the jailer. Acts 8th chapter, the eunuch. Acts 10th, the centurion.

ARE AFRAID THEY WILL FALL.

Isa. 44: 10, 13. Col. 3: 3, 4. II Tim. 1: 12. Rom. 8: 35, 36, 37, 38, 39. Here we see the fact clearly revealed that no power in earth or hell can make a man tone down in his religious life, backslide, *only* as he *wills*. May God fix this thought in your soul forever.

HAVING RECEIVED CHRIST. HOW TO WALK IN HIM? BY FAITH.

Col. 2: 6, 7. I Thess. 4: 1. I Cor. 11: 23. “As [since] ye have received Christ”—“walk in Him,”—be steadfast. Have heart loyalty. Christ was communicated to them as the element of life. The fact:—We *must* walk. How? By faith. Poverty of faith will never bring about this establishment.

WHAT IS WALKING IN THE LIGHT?

A progressive work: A step at a time. A natural, regular, forward movement. I John 2: 6; 1: 7.

“NO DARKNESS AT ALL” TO ONE “HID WITH
CHRIST IN GOD.”

I John 1: 5. St. John 8: 12.

NO NIGHT.

“There is no night for one with perfect trust,
Just one long day;
E’en though trials come, as come they must,
Along life’s way,
The sun shines on with pulsing glow the same,
An undimmed light,
Shadows fall, but darkness hath no name—
There is no night.”

“SANCTIFIED THROUGH THE TRUTH,” is to be
Separated from sin. II Cor. 6: 16, 17, 18. Rom. 12: 2.
Dedicated to God. Rom. 12: 1.
Filled with the Holy Ghost. Acts 2: 4; 13: 52.

A TRUE CHRISTIAN IS NOT OF THE WORLD.

St. John 15: 18, 19; 17: 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20,
21, 23. A Christian does not belong to the world,
but belongs to the new creation. God has taken
him out of the old and put him in the new, and
therefore he keepeth himself from the world. “His
power is in his separateness from the world, not
in his affiliation with it.”

“FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS” IS NOT IN THEM
THAT MAKE TROUBLE, CONTENTION, STRIFE,
BICKERING.

James 3: 16-18. Rom. 12: 9. I Peter 1: 22;
2: 1-3. I John 3: 18. Prov. 11: 18. Matt. 5: 9.
Phil. 1: 11.

VERSES FOR THOSE WHO LACK ASSURANCE.

I John 5: 13. St. John 1: 12; 3: 36; 5: 24. Acts 13: 39. I John 5: 11, 12. St. John 8: 12. Isa. 55: 7.

“ IF ANY LACK WISDOM.”

James 1: 5.

A RECIPE FOR ALL TROUBLE.

Phil. 4: 6, 7. St. John 14: 27. Col. 3: 15.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS ONE OF PEACE.

Matt. 11: 28, 29, 30. Prov. 3: 17. St. John 14: 27. Isaiah 26: 3, 4. Prov. 16: 7.

FOR CHRISTIANS WHO ARE UNDERGOING PERSECUTIONS.

Matt. 5: 10-12. I Peter 4: 12-14; 4: 16; 2: 21, 23; 3: 17, 18. II Tim. 3: 12.

ONE THING NEVER FAILS.

The Lord's promise. Deut 2: 7. Joshua 23: 14.

THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS IN THE BIBLE WHICH I CANNOT UNDERSTAND.

Two ladies came to Rev. Sam. Jones, the Southern evangelist, and said to him: “ Mr. Jones, there are so many things in the Bible which we cannot understand,” and they were troubled.

Mr. Jones replied in his unique way: “ Ladies, you haven't as good sense as my cow down in Georgia. We have to feed her on hay, and there are a good many briars in it, but she has sense

enough to eat the hay and leave the briars alone. The Bible is full of good hay, enough to save your souls, eat it and let the briars be."

See I Cor. 2: 14. Rom. 11: 33. I Cor. 13: 11, 12
Psalm 119: 18. II Peter 3: 16-18.

IN DOUBTING CASTLE.

The whole of John's first Epistle was written for the professing Christian who has no liberty, and is in doubting castle. I John 5: 13; 3: 2, 14, 24.

A PREPARED SALVATION.

"The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life," or a Seven-fold Blessing.

1ST. "MY PEACE." The peace of Jesus. (*St. John 14: 27.*) The peace that is the opposite of fever, worry or fret, opposite of strife. The peace that enabled Jesus to be composed when scourged, spat upon, derided, mocked, and when nailed to the cross He could ask for His enemies, "Father forgive them for they know not what they do, (*Luke 23: 34*) is to be your peace. (*Isaiah 26: 3, 4; 57: 19, 20, 21.*)

2ND. "MY LOVE." The love of Jesus. (*St. John 15: 10.*) The word "abide" means to "live." Verse 9th. The measure of the Father's love to the Son is the measure of the Father's love to us, and also the Son's love to us, and ought to be the measure of our love one to another. A new commandment "I give unto you." (*St. John 13: 34.*) If

any strife anywhere sin is at the bottom of it. Sin is disintegrating. Love is cohesive; you can't separate the Jesus love. When can we have this love? In this world. (*I John 4:17.*) When it is incarnated in us and crystalized into perfection we will be seeking to "lift up the fallen and rescue the perishing." For one idea embraced Jesus in life and in death and that was the salvation of the race. (*St. John 3:16.*)

3D. "MY JOY." (*St. John 15:11. Psalm 5:11.*)

The same joy that Jesus had in doing good and winning souls is to be your experience.

He tells you that you may become so charmed with the life of Jesus! and have such a holy ambition to be endowed, imbued and infilled with the blessed, personal Holy Spirit, the abiding Comforter, that you will be "joyful," "Have fulness of joy."

When worldliness is displaced what a vacuum is thus opened for the intruding Spirit.

4TH. "MY GRACE." (*II Cor. 12:9; 9:8.*)

Unmerited favor. At a price less than the cost of a pin. "Without money and without price." The grace of Jesus, that sustained him, the *very* same grace is to sustain *you*. "Thy shoes shall be iron." "That means that if you have a stony path to walk over, God is not going to send you forth with paper-soled slippers on, but with shoes strong and enduring, equal to the need of the journey."

5TH. "MY STRENGTH." (*II Cor. 12:9. Isaiah 26:3, 4.*) The *same* strength that sustained Jesus is to be *your* strength—for back of this promise is the

omnipotent power of Jehovah. For God is "able." (*II Cor. 9: 8.*)

Just as strong as the object on which you lean. (*Isaiah 26: 4.*) For all the holy purposes of your life you can have "Everlasting strength" to see you through. The price to be paid for this glorious experience; "Whose mind is stayed on thee." (*Isaiah 26: 3.*) To have it this price *must* be paid. Nothing less.

6TH. "MY REST." (*Heb. 4: 5. Matt 11: 28. Heb. 4: 3.*) The Christian's rest is attained by faith. And faith that appropriates the promises of God comes *only* through thorough conviction and perfect obedience. For obedience is faith. (*Gal. 2: 20.*) Many have not entered into "His rest," therefore their lives are full of *unrest*, full of disappointment, full of failure, the sad song of their life is, "all these things are against me." Beloved, enter into *His rest* and it shall be *your rest*. (*Prov. 1: 33.*)

7TH. "MY GLORY." (*St. John 17: 24.*)

What an unspeakable privilege! To be joint heir (sharer) (*Rom. 8: 17*) in His glory. This is the glorious result if you accept *fully*, and enter into the experience of this prepared salvation, and yours will be "The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life," *daily*.

KEYS.

- "Key-note of Peter—Hope.
- "Key-note of Paul—Faith.
- "Key-note of John—Love.
- "Faith, Hope and Charity (Love)—The key-note to the whole of their teaching."

“KNOW.”

It occurs six times in I John 3. *Blessed assurance.*

FRUIT CHAPTER.

Galatians 5th. This chapter tells us if we are bearing the right kind of fruit.

Make the tree right and the fruit will soon be right.

IMPORTANT BIBLE FACTS.

Number of books in Old Testament	39
Number of books in New Testament	27
Total number of books in Bible.	66
Number of chapters in Old Testament	929
Number of chapters in New Testament.	260
Total chapters.	1,189
Number of verses in Old Testament	23,214
Number of verses in New Testament.	7,959
Total verses.	31,173
Number of words in Old Testament.	592,439
Number of words in New Testament	181,253
Total words.	773,692
Number of letters in Old Testament	2,728,110
Number of letters in New Testament.	838,380
Total letters.	3,566,490

The word *Jehovah* or *Lord* occurs 6,855 times ; the word *Reverend* but once, in the 9th verse of the 111th Psalm. The middle chapter in the Bible, and the shortest one, is Psalm 117 ; the middle verse is Psalm 118:8 ; the middle book of the Old Testament is Proverbs ; the middle chapter is Job 29 ; middle verse, II Chron. 20: 17 ; the shortest verse, I Chron. 1: 25. The 9th verse of the 8th chapter of Esther is the longest verse. In the 107th Psalm four verses

are alike, the 8th, 15th, 21st and 31st. Each verse of the 136th Psalm ends alike. The 37th chapter of Isaiah and the 19th chapter of II Kings are almost alike, word for word. The word girl occurs but once in the Bible, and that in the 3rd verse of the 3rd chapter of Joel. No names or words with more than six syllables are found in the Bible.

The middle book of the New Testament is II Thess.; middle verse, Acts 17: 17; the shortest verse, John 11: 35; Ezra 7: 21 has all the letters of the alphabet save F and J.

REVISED NEW TESTAMENT.

(*Computation in Rev. Rufus Wendell's "Student's Edition of the Revised Version," Albany, 1882.*)

No. of paragraphs.	1,128
No. of verses.	7,943
No. of words	179,914

The total number of words belonging to each writer is as follows:

Paul (fourteen books) 50,649	Mark (one book). . . 14,854
Luke (two books) . . 49,865	Peter (two books) . . 3,966
John (five books). . . 34,236	James (one book) . . 2,306
Matthew (one book) . 23,407	Jude (one book) . . . 631

TRANSLATION OF THE ENGLISH BIBLE.

Wycliffe's translation from Vulgate was made about 1324-84.

Tyndale's translation from the original, in 1525.

Coverdale's translation from Latin and German translations, in 1535.

The "Thomas Matthew" Bible, a compilation, by John Rogers, in 1537; Revised edition, by Richard Tanner, in 1539.

The Great Bible, called "great" from the size of the page—15x9 in.,—1539.

The Geneva Version, by English refugees, from the original Hebrew and Greek, in 1560.

The Bishop's Bible, in 1568.

Roman Catholic translations, New Testament, in 1582; Old Testament, 1610.

The King James Version, in 1611.

Revised Version, New Testament, in 1881; Old Testament, in 1885.

THE BELIEVER'S BANK NOTE.

There are hundreds of Bible verses that center around Philippians 4:19. It is the believer's bank note. There you see that God the Father hath made Jesus, who is the pledge of all that Infinite love could do or you can receive, the cashier of heaven's bank, and it never scales its deposits or goes back on its creditors. When in need of money endorse the texts, which is God's (the President's) note on demand with interest from date, then go to work, and it always comes.

Take another promise. (*Matt. 7:7, 8.*) Oh! how blessed! "*They that wholly trust Him, find Him wholly true.*"

CHARACTER BUILDING.

PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY; WHEN? WHY? HOW?

Seed-time and Harvest.

God (the great Architect) gives a *perfect* plan in detail (in the Bible) for character building, and tells the material to be used, so that it *will stand* the test of the temptations of life; the dying hour and the fires of the judgment. (Deut. 4: 9, 10, 40; 5: 29; 6: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; 11: 13, 18, 19, 20, 21. Psalm 78: 1-9. Joshua 24: 15. Prov. 22: 6. Eph. 6: 4. II Tim. 3: 15; 1: 5. Psalm 92: 12, 13, 14. Isaiah 54: 13.) Do as God tells you and plant the children in His house while young.

The covenant promise (Deut. 7: 9; Acts 2: 39) is given only on condition of no *unholy* ambition reigning in the hearts of parents (Matt. 6: 33) and their living in continual *obedience* to God. (II Cor. 10: 5.)

Find out what God wants and expects of you, by *daily* searching His WORD, and FAMILY and SECRET PRAYER, and never break faith with Him and He will never break faith with you (Isaiah 40: 8), and the "*Covenant promise*" shall be to you and your children (*every one of them*) "*forever.*"

THE HOME IS THE STORM CENTER OF GOD'S
BLESSING OR CURSE.

(Deut 11: 26, 27, 28.)

A MOTHER.

"A mother is more than a queen."

To shape a child's life is the sweetest earthly task. (*I Sam. 1st chapter. II Tim. 3: 15.*)

If you are a mother you will need to ask God daily for patience and wisdom. (*Luke 21: 19. Rom. 12: 12. II Peter 1: 5-8.*) Remember that children, if told of Christ, quick'y learn to love Him (*I Sam. 3: 4*), and only as they love Him and keep His commandments are they safe. (*II Tim. 1: 5. Deut. 11: 21.*) "He shall carry the lambs in His bosom and gently lead those that are with young." (*Isa. 40: 11.*) "May the Father in heaven guide thee and thine!"

FOUR CARDINAL POINTS.

Take the four cardinal points which mark "The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life," and make them yours.

1st cardinal point. Never doubt God's presence. (*Heb. 13: 5, 6.*)

2nd cardinal point. Never doubt God's Word. (*Isaiah 40: 8.*) In order to inspire us with confidence in His Word He has given us a mortgage on heaven and earth. (*Matt. 5: 18.*)

3rd cardinal point. Never doubt God's pity. (*Isaiah 63: 9.*)

4th cardinal point. Never doubt God's power. (*Psalms 37: 23, 31. II Cor. 9: 8.*) If such promises as these are burned down into our hearts as with

characters of fire, they will put to flight the greatest army of doubts that ever assaulted a human soul.

COURAGE.

What is there to be afraid of in this world?

Just one thing, and that is sin.

A good conscience will make good courage.

Glean from this (*Joshua 1st chapter*) three basic facts, viz.:

1st. All discouragement is of the devil. (*Joshua 1: 7. I Thess. 5: 16, 17, 18.*) Side tracking always switches one off the main line.

2nd. God cannot use a soul easily discouraged. (*Joshua 1: 7.*) *Must keep on the main line of obedience to God.*

3rd. The only way to have good courage is to obey God by living in, and feeding *daily*, on His Word. *The only main line to a successful Christian life.* (*Joshua 1: 8. St John 8: 31, 32.*) And to Watch, Pray and Trust. (*Matt. 26: 41. Psalm 32: 8; 34: 7, 8.*)

THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Who is the Holy Spirit?

A person; the revealer of the Word. R. V., St. John 14: 26.

When did His definite ministry begin?

At Pentecost. R. V., Acts 2: 4. Christ had *His Pentecost*. Before He began His public ministry the Holy Spirit came upon Him. Acts 10: 38. R. V., Luke 3: 22; 4: 1, 14, 18. The Holy Spirit was in

Jesus prior to the descent of the dove. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit. But Jesus did not begin to teach or work until He had received the anointing for service, and henceforth He lived and worked (Matt. 12:28), died (Heb. 9:14), and rose from the dead (Rom. 1:4) by the power of the Spirit.

How may we receive power to work for and with Jesus? Acts 1:8, R. V.

What important question did Paul ask the disciples at Ephesus? Acts 19:2.

What reply did they make? Acts 19:2.

Did they receive the Holy Spirit? Acts 19:6.

As we go forth from the school of Jesus, like His disciples, may we too, be "filled with joy, and with the Holy Spirit" for service. Acts 13:52.

TOPICAL METHOD OF BIBLE STUDY.

Gathering together all that is said in the Bible on a given topic. For instance:—with your Bible, paper and pencil, turn to your concordance (in the back of the Bible) and take the word "Love," and see what God says about it from Genesis to Revelation. Mark in your Bible, and copy the passages which strike you the most forcibly.

You will readily see that if you are honest with God, honest with your soul, honest with the souls of those over whom you are exerting an influence, that you cannot sin so cheaply; that you cannot retain ill-will or enmity in your heart toward any human being and be in harmony with the Infinite; and be "walking in the light," as set forth in

I John 1: 7. Read the Word prayerfully. Again, take the words Humility, Prayer, Faith, Hope, Consecration, Obedience, Work, etc., etc. *The Bible is to be studied, not simply read.* "Open thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law." (*Psalm 119: 18.*) *It should be a spirit service.*

The student should study with the expectation of using any truth which may be discovered for the benefit of some fellow man. All God's gifts to His people are to be *used* in His service. Therefore, aim to get definite results. A great deal of time spent on the Bible is not very profitable, because the student does not really see exactly what he wants to accomplish. He has a general idea that he is to read and re-read, and in some way to get good from reading; but just exactly what to expect to know as a result of such reading he has not determined.

How much of the reading of the Word is superficial. Why should the student be satisfied to take the gold leaf article when he can go down into the mines and get solid nuggets? If the student is willing to learn, he will find the Bible is not a "dry" work, suitable for the melancholy only, and for ministers, but he will find it is full of life, and contains more of real information and pleasure than any other work ever written. Again, take up a character. For instance: "Caleb." Ask yourself the question, and find an answer in the Bible.

1. Who was "Caleb"?
2. Why is he so prominently mentioned in the Word?

3. What excellencies are there in His life for me to imitate?

4. What evils for me to reject?

5. That life was written for me; and God wants me to get the benefit of its spiritual sympathy of good and to reject the errors, if such there be. Twice it is said of him, "He hath wholly followed the Lord his God." (*Joshua 14: 9, 14.*) These are human estimates, but in *Num. 14: 24* God gives *His estimate* of Caleb's life. Right in the center of this verse you will find the *golden key* to unlock the store-house of heaven. You must get this *key* or you will *never* find the "Christian's Secret of a Happy Life." The "key" is "*fully*" or "*wholly*." Unless you follow the Lord "*wholly*," in obedience, you will never get the sweet experience ("holy") in your life. (*Heb. 12: 14.*) "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord."

Again, study each book as a whole. For instance: take Mark as the very best, most vivid in its description and as keeping the chronological order.

If possible read it through at one sitting. Read all the other Gospels in the same way. See if you do not get a view of the life of Christ in its entirety from Bethlehem to the Ascension as you have never had before. See if there are any portions of the Lord's life which Mark omits and which are found in the other Gospels, etc., etc.

Take the various characters and, subjects in the "*Improved New Bible Cards*," (published by L. U.

Snead & Sons) and read the verses and chapters referred to on each card, and when you have committed the 1,000 statements and answers to memory, your increased efficiency as a Bible student would well repay you for the effort.

“IN THAT DAY.”

There are three verses in St. John which begin with the words: “*In that day.*” (*John 14:20.*) “*In that day*” when the Holy Spirit shines through every avenue of the heart, and all darkness is gone, ye shall know three glorious truths: (1.) “That I am in my Father.” (2) “That ye are in me.” A charmed circle. (*Psalms 34:7.*) (3.) “I in you.” “And *in that day* (*St. John 16:23*) ye shall ask me nothing.” Before the disciples received the Holy Spirit they kept asking questions, but when they received Him (the Revealer, Illuminator), truth shone in their hearts. (*St. John 14:26; 16:13, 14.*) A marvelous intuition. “*In that day* (*St. John 16:26*) ye shall ask in my name.” “Name” stands for “nature.” “I in you and you in me.” “The nature of Jesus asks the Father through us and the blessing comes, for He and Jesus are one.” Notice the result of receiving the Holy Spirit as the fourth work of the Spirit of God. “He (the Spirit) shall bear witness of me, and ye shall bear witness.” (*St. John 15:26, 27.*) When? Where? “But ye shall receive power, when the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be *my witnesses* both in Jerusalem and in all Judæa and Samaria,” that is the home

missionary work, "and unto the *uttermost parts* of the earth" (*Acts 1: 8*), this takes in the foreign field. Beloved, Jesus died for the whole world, and when you let His life reign in you by the power of the Holy Spirit you *will* be alive to, and closely identified with Him, in the evangelization of the world.

MANSIONS.

This word in the original is used but twice in the Bible. In St. John 14: 2, "mansion," or abiding-place (R. V., marg.) with God, is used in the 23rd verse ("abode," or "mansion") and means God's "mansion" in the spirit of the believer, or abiding-place with us. Jesus has gone to prepare a "mansion" for a prepared people. And in order to fit us for the "heavenly mansion" He comes in the person of the Holy Spirit to "abide," or make His "mansion" in us. Getting us ready to move into the "upper-mansion."

Beloved, is your "mansion" being cleaned, fitted up under the guidance of the Holy Spirit? Don't try to keep some little chamber locked up and expect to have this "mansion" prepared. Throw wide open every door and window-pane of your heart and let the search light from the "Sun of Righteousness" penetrate every avenue of your soul. When Jesus through the Spirit is given the right of way what a soul, house cleaning time there is. "Then I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from *all* your *filthiness*, and from *all* your *idols*, will I cleanse you." (Ezek. 36:

25.) (Read II Cor. 6: 16, 17, 18, and II Cor. 7: 1.) Dear child, let all the worldly trappings go which have fettered your soul so long, and hear the sweet words from the lips of Jesus, "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." (St. John 15: 3.)

"Abide" (verse 4th) (live) in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide (live) in the vine; no more can ye except ye abide in Me." Spiritual mathematics. Two and two make four with God. Don't think you can give Him one fourth or two-fourths or three-fourths of your life and that He will excuse you on the other one-fourth. (Read I Thess. 5: 23, 24.) "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye *bear much fruit; so,*" ah! that puts us on a higher plane of divine enlightenment, communion and fellowship with Jesus. "*So,* shall ye be *my* disciples." (St. John 15:8.) Then Jesus tells us the glad result as He adds up the blessed experience and assurance of these previous verses (viz.: conversion, cleansing, abiding, fruit-bearing) which He wants each child of His to have while He prepares this "mission." "These things have I spoken unto *you*, that *my* joy might remain in *you*, and that *your* joy might be *full*." (St. John 15: 11.)

HOW TO SUCCEED.

Let the motto of your life be: "Have faith in God." (Mark 11:22.) The margin says: "Have the faith of God." "Reckon on God's faith to

you.”—*Hudson Taylor*. “He is *faithful* who hath promised.” (Heb. 11:11. Psalm 89:33; 92:2.) How to succeed? We believe it is an unfailing answer to say, according as they honor and obey the teachings of the Bible. (Psalm 32:8.)

Our observation confirms us in the belief that the attitude of the heart toward God determines the success of life of each individual more than all other qualifications put together. How many have started out with fair prospects, but alas! the failure and wreckage all along the stream of time because they had not accepted the Word of God fully as the guide and rule of their lives. “Them that honor Me, I will honor saith the Lord.” (I Sam. 2:30.) (Prov. 3:5, 6. Psalm 34:11, 12; 37:3, 4, 5, 6.) Can’t *fail* when we *wholly obey* God. Impossible. (Num. 14:24.) (Joshua 1:7, 8.)

HELPS TO BIBLE STUDY.

There are *three books that every Christian ought to have* if he cannot have but three. The first is a *Bible*—one with good, plain print that you can easily read, not so good that you are afraid to mark it. Get your children also, a good, well-bound Bible; large type, that will be a pleasure, and not a task-service to read. Such a Bible for each child as soon as they learn to read is *one*, if not *the best* investment you can possibly make for your family. Better than many dollars invested in furniture, or bric-a-brac without the Bible. As they grow older

and have marked it, they won't want to give up the one they have been used to reading in, after it has come to seem like a sort of life-long companion. Let us urge upon you to get each member of the family a choice Bible and mark it carefully.

To cherish a love for God's book is the most important work a parent or teacher has to do next to the conversion of souls. The growing lack of the age is a neglect of the Bible in the hands of *each child* in the home and Sunday-school. Music, papers, magazines, pleasure and many other things are crowding out the Word of God from *daily use* in the home circle. These things are legitimate enough in their way—but if the devil can get Shakespeare or anything else substituted, or memorized instead of the Bible he has gained the day. In the Sunday-school, lesson quarterlies, lesson leaves and helps are displacing the Bible. These are to be used in the home, but not in the Sunday-school. May the day soon come when THE BIBLE,

“A fountain ever springing,
Where the wearied may repair,
The heavy burden bringing,
Of sin and of despair.
A hive of honeyed treasure,
Distilled from Eden's bowers,
Where heaven-born hope with pleasure
May feed in wintry hours.
Drink for the soul that's trusting,
Comfort for those that fear,
Balm for the heart that's bursting,
May all be gathered here;”

will be seen in the hands of every *teacher* and *scholar* instead of lesson helps.

The next book to get is "Cruden's Concordance." You cannot get on very well in Bible study without that. There is another book printed in this country by the American Tract Society called "Bible Text-Book." It was brought out first in London. These books will be a wonderful help to you in studying the Word of God. As an additional help the "Improved New Bible Cards, The Bible Student's Cyclopedia," will be a great blessing. (*See notice in back of book.*) We furnish these books at *special wholesale rates to our patrons.*

WOMAN AS MAN'S EQUAL IN ALL CHRISTIAN PRIVILEGES.

Theologians have overlooked the fact that God's curses are two-fold, and rest on man and woman equally. If she was cursed in that her husband ruled over her, he was cursed in so ruling, and had been through the centuries. Man's greatest pride is in his sons, but the stream cannot rise higher than its fountain; the mother of our race cannot with impunity be trodden under foot. The man who rules her is cursed in his character and his offspring. He is unspeakably degraded by the desire to rule her; for such desire is the quintessence of selfishness and pride. A free, large, generous spirit in man instinctively revolts from the degradation of the word "obey" applied to the one nearest, dearest and best

of all the world to him. Christ says in explanation of Moses' act in permitting the man by a bill of divorcement to dismiss his wife: "*But from the beginning it was not so.* (Matt. 19: 3-8.) And Christ came to restore the years that the caterpillar and palmerworm had eaten. In Christ the curses that have alike debased husband and wife are cancelled; the new heaven and the new earth, (Isa. 66: 22) revealed wherein dwelleth righteousness, justice, and the inwrought, outwrought Golden Rule.

"You wish to teach our women to read, do you?" scornfully said an official of the Hindoos to a missionary from America, and added, "Next you will seek permission to teach our cows!" But what good has come to the Hindoo by his supreme selfishness toward mother and sister, daughter and wife? He has not progressed one inch in thousands of years except as men who look upon women as their equals have placed in his unskilled hands the inventions of Occidental civilization and taught him our ideas of literature and law, of art and commerce. He has not risen one hair in the scale of being, except as our missionaries have brought to him that gospel which says, "There shall be no more curse, for the former things are passed away," (Rev. 21: 4), and which restores the *joint headship* set forth in the divine words: "Let us make man in our image after our likeness and let *them* have dominion." (Gen. 1: 26 I Peter 3: 7.)

A theologian of classical attainments, sends me the following admirable exegesis:

"The term 'wifely subjection,' as used in the New Testament, has been a stumbling block to many. Let it be noticed that St. Paul does not direct wives to obey their husbands, as he expressly commands children to obey their parents, in the Word. The objectional word "obey" is very properly expunged from the American marriage service, as authorized by the Methodist Episcopal Church. Paul's words are: 'Be in subjection to your own husbands in all things.' (*Eph. 5: 24.*) That is when God and conscience do not forbid. (*Col. 3: 18.*) Paul's words rendered 'subjection,' John Wesley says means 'having a yielding spirit.' But let it be also observed that the chief apostle writes what many annotators virtually overlook: 'Subjecting yourselves one to another.' (*I Peter 5: 5.*) Here Paul teaches husbandly subjection, as in the first passage named he teaches wifely. Annotators often follow one another like sheep, vainly attempting to make Paul's words harmonize with their own earnest teachings and the echoes of antiquity. Notice: the apostle expressly teaches mutual subjection as a set-off to wifely subjection. His words are 'one to another.' (*I Peter 5: 5.*) Thus husbands are here expressly taught subjection, that is, to have a yielding spirit: husband is 'one,' wife is 'another'; and Paul's words are 'one to another.' There is not only no sex in religion, but St. Paul expressly teaches (see revised version) 'there can be no male or female.' (*Gal. 3: 28.*) Just as the ocean's incoming tide makes little pools and rivulets *one full, smooth sea*, so Christianity will swallow up caste and sex. 'Ye are all one man in Christ Jesus. (*Gal. 3: 28.*) (See revised version.) These words divinely teach perfect equality in all Christian privileges."

Sidney Lanier has put the subject well:

"If men loved larger, larger were our lives,
And wooed they nobler, won they nobler wives."

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THE SECOND COMING.

The second coming of Christ is literal, personal and imminent. He went away as a person. He will return as such. (John 14:3; Acts 1:11; I Thess. 4:16.) We are commanded to watch and wait for this. (I Thess. 5:1-6.) Careful inspection and study of the Word reveals two distinct parts in the Second Advent.

The Rapture: or, the Lord's coming *for* His people, which will be secret, sudden and impending. It will also be invisible and instantaneous. (Matt. 24:40, 41, 42; Rev. 16:15.)

The Revelation: or, His coming *with* His saints. This will be visible and glorious.* (Col. 3:4; II Thess. 1:7; I Thess. 4:16, 17, 18.)

A GREAT PHYSICIAN.

"I am the Lord that healeth thee."—Ex. 15:26.

Physical life was maintained in Eden by the "Tree of Life,"—a type of Christ.

This was lost through the fall (Gen. 3:23), but restored through Christ's atonement, redemption. (Matt. 8:17.)

Promise of physical healing given on condition of their rightness and obedience. (Ex. 15:25, 26.)

In Isaiah 53:4, 5, we find the strongest point for this doctrine.

The quickening power of the Holy Spirit in our

*See notice of "Jesus is Coming," in back of book. This grand work should be in the hands of all who love our Lord's appearing.

bodies. (Rom. 8: 11; I Cor. 6: 19, 20.) Physical life by our union with the risen Lord. (I Cor. 6: 15; II Cor. 4: 10, 11; Eph. 5: 30.)

THE BIBLE AND CHILDHOOD.

1. Man's anxious question about every child.
Luke 1: 61.
2. God's interest in childhood.
Gen. 21: 17; Psalm 147: 13; Prov. 8: 17.
3. God's care for His little ones.
Deut. 7: 4; Psalm 103: 13; Isaiah 40: 11;
Mal. 3: 7; Matt. 7: 11.
4. God saving men by homefuls.
Gen. 7: 1; 19: 16; Josh. 24: 15; Acts 16: 31-33.
5. Parents as God-appointed teachers.
Deut. 6: 4-7; Psalm 78: 5-7.
6. Children to be early saved.
Matt. 19: 14; II Chron. 34: 3; I Sam. 3: 1-19.

GRACE.

1. Its source.
John 1: 14-17; Rom. v: 15; I Cor. 1: 3, 4.
2. All grace comes from God.
I Peter 5: 10.
3. To whom does He offer grace?
Matt. 21: 31; Hosea 13: 9. John 8: 4-12.
4. Not of works.
Eph. 2: 8, 9; II Tim. 1: 9; Rom. 11: 6.
5. It bringeth salvation.
Titus 2: 11-14.
6. We are justified freely by His grace.
Titus 3: 7; Rom. 3: 24.

7. Sin reigned unto death, but grace unto life eternal. Rom. 5: 20, 21; 6: 1, 2.
8. We are not under law, but under grace. Rom. 6: 14, 15.
9. The difference between the law and grace. Deut. 21: 18; Luke 15: 12-24.
10. How are we to get it? Heb. 4: 16.
11. His grace sufficient at all times. II Cor. 9: 8; 12: 9.
12. Who have it more freely? Eph. 6: 24; James 4: 6.
13. We are to sing with grace in our hearts. Col. 3: 16.
14. What is falling from grace? Gal. 5: 1-5.
15. Difference between government and grace. (No texts; but retributive dealings with Lot, Jacob, David, brought out, as contrasted with the Prodigal Son, and the surpassing love revealed in the gospel.)
16. Last words of Peter and John. II Peter 3: 18; Rev. 22: 21.
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SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHERS' DECALOGUE.

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1. Pray for inspiration, wisdom and patience. II Tim. 2: 24; James 1: 5.
2. Have faith in your convictions. Mark 11: 22; John 14: 1; Heb. 11: 32, 33.

3. Respect your pupils.
Luke 11: 11; Matt. 10: 29, 31.
4. Understand your own purpose.
Prov. 17: 24; Luke 6: 39.
5. Obtain the attention and affection of your pupils. Matt. 7: 6, 9, 10; I Thess. 2: 7, 8.
6. Express thought precisely; illustrate freely.
I Cor. 14: 19; Matt. 13: 34.
7. Teach arrangement and classification.
II Tim. 2: 15; Eccles. 3: 1, 11.
8. Christ's test; fruit.
Matt. 7: 16-20.
9. Review frequently.
Isaiah 28: 10.
10. Expect great results.
Eccles. 11: 1; Matt. 13: 8.
"Thou, therefore, which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself?"

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THE BIBLE AND ITS STUDENTS.

Search the Scriptures. John 5: 39. John 8: 31, 32.

Earnestly. Josh. 1: 8. Psalms 119: 18.

Anxiously. John 20: 31. Psalms 119: 9.

Regularly. Acts 17: 11. Psalms 1: 2.

Carefully, Luke 24: 27. II Tim. 3: 16, 17.

Humbly. Luke 24: 45. James 1: 2.

“ When you read the sacred Scriptures, or any other book, never think *how* you read, but *what* you read.”—*Kemble*.

“ He should not merely prepare his sermon ; he should also prepare himself.”—*Dr. Parker*.

AFTER THE SERMON OR LESSON.

“ He may not have lingually stumbled. His breaking down may not have been toward earth, but toward heaven.”—*Dr. Parker*.

WHAT CAN I DO?

"I expect to pass through this life but once; if, therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to my fellow human beings, let me do it now; let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

LOVE.

"The fruit of the Spirit in terms of love are :
(Gal. 5: 22, 23.)

Joy is love exulting.

Peace is love in repose.

Longsuffering is love untiring.

Gentleness is love enduring.

Goodness is love in action.

Faith is love on the battlefield.

Meekness is love under discipline.

Temperance is love in training."—*Moody*.

SINS.

Saved from sin.—Matt. 1: 21.

Saved from the penalty of sin.—II Peter 2: 9.

Saved from the power of sin.—Rom. 6: 7.

Saved from Satan.—Acts 26: 18.

Saved from the world.—Gal. 1: 4.

Saved from the law.—Rom. 10: 4.

Saved from SELF.—Gal. 2: 20.

Who?

God will come and SAVE YOU.—Isa. 35: 4.

Rejoice in the Lord.—Phil. 3: 1.

WORD ANALYSIS OF THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE.

Mark the books, for instance : at the beginning of Genesis, " Book of Beginnings."

Over Exodus write " Book of Redemption," and so on until *all* the books are marked as follows :

Leviticus	Priesthood.
Numbers	Wandering.
Deuteronomy	Obedience.
Joshua	Warfare.
Judges	Failure.
Ruth	Re-possession.
I and II Samuel	Kingdom.
I and II Kings	Kingdom.
I and II Chronicles	Royal Power.
Ezra	Temple Rebuilt.
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Song of Solomon	Song of Love.
Isaiah	The Messiah.
Jeremiah	Expostulation.
Lamentations	Mourning.
Ezekiel	Judgments.
Daniel	Times of Gentiles.
Hosea	Backsliding.
Joel	Desolation.

Amos	Punishment.
Obadiah	Edom.
Jonah	Nineveh.
Micah	Controversy.
Nahum	Full End.
Habakkuk	Judgment.
Zephaniah	Lord's Anger.
Haggai	Lord's House.
Zechariah	Judgment and Glories.
Malachi	Robbery.

NEW TESTAMENT.

Matthew	Kingship.
Mark	Service.
Luke	Son of Man.
John	Son of God.
Acts	Witnessing.
Romans	Justification.
I Corinthians	Church Order.
II Corinthians	Ministry.
Galatians	Law and Grace.
Ephesians	Together with Christ.
Philippians	Christian Experience.
Colossians	Complete.
I Thessalonians	Christ's Return for His Saints.
II Thessalonians	Christ's Return with His Saints.
I Timothy	Behavior.
II Timothy	The Scriptures.
Titus	Sound Doctrine.
Philemon	Intercession.
Hebrews	Atonement.

James	Faith and Works.
I Peter	Rejoice in Trial.
II Peter	Be Mindful.
I John	Assurance.
II John	Love.
III John	Hospitality.
Jude	Apostasy.
Revelation	Revelation.

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE.

The original manuscript was seen on the walls of a Swiss inn, and translated by an American lady.

Commit them to memory.

OLD TESTAMENT.

In **Genesis** the world was made by God's creative hand ;
 In **Exodus** the Hebrews marched to gain the promised land ;
Leviticus contains the Law,—holy and just and good ;
Numbers records the tribes enrolled all sons of Abraham's blood ;
 Moses, in **Deuteronomy**, recounts God's mighty deeds ;
 Brave **Joshua** into Canaan's land the host of Israel leads ;
 In **Judges** their rebellion oft provokes the Lord to smite ;
 But **Ruth** records the faith of one well-pleasing in His sight ;
 In **First** and **Second Samuel** of Jesse's son we read ;
 Ten tribes in **First** and **Second Kings** revolted from his seed ;
 In **First** and **Second Chronicles** see Judah captive made ;
 But **Ezra** leads a remnant back by princely Cyrus' aid ;
 The city walls of Zion **Nehemiah** builds again ;
 While **Esther** saves her people from plots of wicked men ;
 In **Job** we read how faith will live beneath affliction's rod,
 And David's **Psalms** are precious songs to every child of God ;

The **Proverbs** like a goodly string of choicest pearls appear ;
Ecclesiastes teaches man how vain are all things here ;
The mystic **Song of Solomon** exalts sweet Sharon's Rose,
While Christ the Saviour and the King, the "rapt **Isaiah**"
shows ;

The warning **Jeremiah** apostate Israel scorns ;
His plaintive **Lamentations** their awful downfall mourns ;
Ezekiel tells in wondrous words of dazzling mysteries,
While kings and empires yet to come **Daniel** in visions
sees ;

Of judgment and mercy **Hosea** loves to tell ;
Joel describes the blessed days when God with man shall
dwell ;

Among Tekoa's herdsmen **Amos** received his call ;
While **Obadiah** prophesies of Edom's final fall ;
Jonah enshrines a wondrous type of Christ our risen Lord ;
Micah pronounces Judah lost—lost, but again restored ;
Nahum declares on Nineveh just judgment shall be poured ;
A view of Chaldea's coming doom **Habakkuk's** visions
give ;

Next **Zephaniah** warns the Jews to turn, repent and live ;
Haggai wrote to those who saw the temple built again,
And **Zechariah** prophesies of Christ's triumphant reign ;
Malachi was the last who touched the high prophetic chord ;
Its final notes sublimely show the coming of the Lord.

NEW TESTAMENT.

Matthew and **Mark** and **Luke** and **John** the Holy Gospels
wrote ;

Describing how the Savior died ; His life and all He taught ;
Acts proves how God the Apostles owned with signs in
every place ;

St. Paul in **Romans** teaches us how man is saved by grace ;
The apostle in **Corinthians** instructs, exhorts, reproves ;
Galatians shows that faith in Christ alone the Father loves ;
Ephesians and **Philippians** tell what Christians ought to be ;

Colossians bids us live to God and for eternity ;
 In **Thessalonians** we are taught the Lord will come from
 heaven ;
 In **Timothy** and **Titus** a bishop's rule is given ;
Philemon marks a Christian's love which only Christians
 know ;
Hebrews reveals the Gospel prefigured by the law ,
James teaches without holiness faith is but vain and dead ;
St Peter points the narrow way in which the saints are led ;
John in his three Epistles, on love delights to dwell ;
St. Jude gives awful warning of judgment, wrath and hell ;
 The **Revelation** prophesies of that tremendous day
 When Christ, and Christ alone, will be the trembling sinner's
 stay.

CHAPTERS OF PURE GOLD.

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Abiding chapter	John 15.
Abraham chapter	Romans 4.
Abraham and Isaac chapter	Genesis 22.
Admonition chapter	Hebrews 13.
Addition chapter	II Peter 1.
Agrippa chapter	Acts 26.
Anointing chapter	Exodus 30.
Apostles' chapter	Acts 5.
A Personal Search chapter	Psalm 139.
Ascension chapter	Acts 1.
Atonement chapter	Hebrews 9.
Backsliders' chapter	Jeremiah 3.
Baptism chapter	Matthew 3.
Beautiful Gate chapter	Acts 3.
Beginning chapter	John 1.
Berea and Athens chapter	Acts 17.
Betrayal and Denial chapter	Matthew 26.

Believers' Bank Note chapter.	Philippians 4.
Blessed chapter.	Matthew 5.
Blessed Assurance chapter.	I John 5.
Blessing chapter.	Deuteronomy 28.
Blessed Know chapter.	I John 3.
Boundless chapter.	Ephesians 3.
Bible Psalm	Psalm 119
Born Blind chapter	John 9.
Bread chapter.	John 6.
Business Men's chapter	Proverbs 8.
Character chapter.	Job 29.
Chastening chapter.	Hebrews 12.
Christian's chapter	I Peter 2.
Christian's Psalm.	Psalm 15.
Church chapter.	Isaiah 60.
Circumcision chapter.	Acts 15.
Come chapter	Revelation 22.
Comforting chapter	John 14.
Commandment chapter	Exodus 20.
Commission chapter	Matthew 28.
Confidence Psalm.	Psalm 23.
Conqueror's chapter	Luke 4.
Contrast chapter.	Luke 17.
Convert's chapter.	Isaiah 12.
Corinth chapter	Acts 18.
Christ's Childhood chapter	Luke 2.
Cornelius chapter	Acts 10.
Courage chapter.	Joshua 1.
Disciples' chapter.	Luke 12.
Deacons' chapter	Acts 6.
Defence chapter.	Acts 22.
Deliverance Psalm.	Psalm 18.
Deliverance chapter.	Exodus 15.
Duty chapters.	Ezekiel 33 and Romans 12.
Elders chapter.	Acts 20.
Elijah chapter.	I Kings 18.
Ephesus chapter.	Acts 19.

Faith chapter.	Hebrews 11.
Feast of Tabernacles chapter.	John 7.
Felix chapter.	Acts 24.
Festus chapter.	Acts 25.
Fear Not chapter.	Isaiah 41.
Fiery Furnace chapter.	Daniel 3.
First Miracle chapter.	John 2.
Fisherman's chapter.	Luke 5.
Foundation chapter.	I Corinthians 3.
Fool's chapter.	Proverbs 26.
Fast chapter.	Isaiah 58.
Free chapter.	John 8.
Fruit chapter.	Galatians 5.
Gentiles chapter.	Acts 11.
Gideon chapter.	Judges 7.
Grace chapter.	Ephesians 2.
Gift chapter.	I Corinthians 12.
Glorious Deliverance chapter.	Romans 8.
Good Night Psalm.	Psalm 121.
Gospel Etiquette chapter.	Luke 14.
Great Psalm.	Psalm 119.
Greeting chapter.	Romans 16.
Harlot's chapter.	Proverbs 7.
Heaven chapter.	Revelation 21.
Herod chapter.	Acts 12.
Household chapter.	Colossians 3.
Humility chapter.	Luke 18.
Holy (Spirit) Ghost chapters.	Joel 2 and Acts 1 and 2.
Hypocrite chapter.	Matthew 23.
I Will chapter.	Hosea 2.
Intemperance chapter.	Proverbs 23.
Invitation chapter.	Isaiah 55.
John the Baptist chapter.	Luke 3.
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Law chapter	Romans 7.
Lazarus chapter.	John 11.
Life chapter.	Luke 7.
Living Water chapter.	John 4.
Lion's Den chapter	Daniel 6.
Love chapters.	I Corinthians 13 and I John 4.
Lost and Found chapter	Luke 15.
Love Feast chapter.	John 21.
Lystra chapter.	Acts 14.
Macedonia chapter.	Acts 16.
Marvelous chapter	Luke 9.
Matrimony chapter.	Ephesians 5.
Mercy Psalm	Psalms 136.
Millennium chapter	Revelation 20.
Ministers' chapter.	Ezekiel 34.
Moralists' Psalm	Psalms 14.
Moses Psalm.	Psalms 90.
Mothers' chapter.	Judges 13.
Naaman chapter.	II Kings 5.
Nativity chapter	Luke 2.
New Birth chapter.	John 3.
Our Father chapter.	Luke 11.
Offering chapter.	Numbers 15.
Overcome and New Name chapters. .	Revelation 2 and 3.
Passover chapter	Exodus 12.
Paul chapter.	Acts 21.
Pentecost chapter.	Acts 2.
Personal chapter.	Galatians 6.
Peter and John chapter.	Acts 4.
Philip chapter.	Acts 8.
Pilate's chapter.	Matthew 27.
Praise Psalm.	Psalms 103.
Prayer chapter.	John 17.
Prayer and Woes chapter.	Luke 11.
Parents' chapters	Deuteronomy 6 and 11 ; Psalms 78: 1-9.
Read the 29th verse of the 5th chapter of Deuteronomy as a prelude to the 6th chapter.	

Preacher's chapter	Isaiah 61.
Prison chapter.	Acts 23.
Prodigal's Psalm	Psalm 51.
Professor's chapter	Luke 12.
Promise chapter.	John 16.
Prophecy chapters	Luke 1 and John 12.
Proof of Messiahship chapter	John 5.
Perfect Love verses	I John 1: 7; 4: 17, 18.
Question chapter	Luke 20.
Refuge Psalm.	Psalm 46.
Rest chapter	Hebrews 4.
Resurrection chapter.	I Corinthians 15.
Repentance chapter.	Luke 13.
Responsibility chapter.	Matthew 25.
Redemption chapters	John 10 and Luke 23.
Revival chapters	Ezekiel 37 and Joel 2.
Rich Man's chapter.	Luke 16.
Rock chapter.	Deuteronomy 32.
Rome chapter.	Acts 28.
Samson's chapter.	Judges 15.
Saul and Tarsus chapter.	Acts 9.
Salvation chapter.	Romans 10.
Savior's chapter.	Matthew 15.
Saloon Keeper's Psalm.	Psalm 10.
Sin and Holiness chapter.	Romans 6.
Soul-Saving Psalm.	Psalm 126.
Soldier's chapter.	Ephesians 6.
Sad chapters.	Luke 22 and John 18.
Sinner's chapter.	Luke 19.
Shepherd's chapter.	John 10.
Sower's chapter	Luke 8.
Service chapter.	Luke 10.
Scorner's chapter.	Proverbs 1.
Sufferer's chapter.	Isaiah 53.
Suffer Little Children chapter	Luke 18.
Saul and Barnabas chapter	Acts 13.
Shipwreck chapter.	Acts 27.

Separation chapter.	II Corinthians 6.
Safety Psalm.	Psalm 91.
Stephen chapter.	Acts 7.
True Preaching chapter.	I Corinthians 2.
"To-day" chapter.	Hebrews 3.
Traveler's Psalm.	Psalm 121.
Tithes (tenth) chapter.	Malachi 3.
Transfiguration chapter.	Mark 9.
Tabernacle Psalm.	Psalm 84.
The New Commandment chapter. . . .	St. John 13: 34, 35.
Tonic Psalm	Psalm 27.
Teacher's chapter.	Luke 6.
Victorious chapter.	Luke 24.
Victory chapter.	John 20.
Watcher's chapter	Luke 21.
Work chapter.	James 2.
Workers' chapter.	I Corinthians 1.
Wisdom chapter.	Proverbs 3.
Wise Man's chapter.	Proverbs 15.
Wives' chapter.	Proverbs 31.
Zaccheus chapter	Luke 19.

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER.

Mark 14: 12-26.

The Passover. Old Testament institutions are not for our imitation, but for our instruction. "They sacrificed the Passover." V. 12, Marg. "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us." I Cor. 5: 7, 8. The Lord's supper commemorates the suffering and death of the Paschal Lamb. As in the Passover they ate the lamb, so at the communion table we feed upon Christ in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. Death was the penalty for neglect of the feast of the Passover. Spiritual death will be the portion of those who refuse Christ as their Passover. As the blood must be sprinkled to secure safety, so the blood of Christ must be applied to our hearts. Like Israel we are saved by the blood, assured by the Word, separated from the world by putting away evil, satisfied by feasting upon the Lamb. Ex. 12: 12-14, 20. Christ becomes our Passover from,

1. Death to life. John 5: 24; 20: 31. Rom. 6: 23; 8: 2.
2. Darkness to light. John 8: 12; 12: 46. II Cor. 4: 6.
3. Bondage to freedom. John 8: 32, 36.
4. Law to grace. John 1: 16, 17. Rom. 6: 14.
5. Weakness to strength. Phil. 4: 13. Col. 1: 11.
6. Sin to holiness. Rom. 3: 25, 26, Marg.; 6: 22. Eph. 4: 22-24.
7. Weariness to rest. Matt. 11: 28-30. Heb. 4: 9, 10.

Mrs. A. C. M.

RESURRECTION.

I Cor. 15: 3-14.

SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS.

1. By whom had Paul received this revelation? Eph. 3: 3. Gal. 1: 11, 12. When? Acts 26: 12-19. II Cor. 12: 1-5. When "delivered" to the Corinthians? Acts 18: 1-18.

What is the foundation verity of the gospel? V. 3. Acts 17: 3. Heb. 2: 9. I Peter 2: 24. *Who* declared the same doctrine on the authority of the same Scriptures? Luke 22: 37; 24: 26, 27, 44-46. What passages of ancient Scriptures would Paul quote in proof that Christ "died for our sins according to the Scriptures?" Gen. 3: 15; 22: 18; 26: 4; Num. 21: 6-9; Isa. 50: 6, 53. Dan. 9: 24-26. Zech. 13: 7, etc. What connection had the Holy Son of God with human sin, and how was that connection made? Phil. 2: 6-8; then Isa. 53: 6, and II Cor. 5: 21. What connection is there in nature and law between all sinners and the death penalty? Gen. 2: 16, 17. Ezek. 18: 4. Rom. 5: 12; 6: 23. Gal. 3: 10. By what process alone is the remission of sins possible? Heb. 9: 22.

2. Was this foretold? Isa. 53: 10; Psalm 16: 10. Hos. 6: 2. Psalm 2: 7. Acts 13: 33; 26: 22, 23. Luke 24: 44-47.

3. What testimony could Cephas give? Acts 2: 22-37.

4. Who saw the ascension? Acts 1: 2, 9-11. Luke 24: 50, 51.

5. What inward, experimental evidence of Christ's resurrection has every true believer? Rom. 8: 11, 14. Gal. 2: 20.

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